

Amenia Recreation Commission

Minutes April, 14, 2009

6:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. Interviews were completed, as scheduled, for 2 open positions, By Tom Werner, Frankie O'Connell, Chris Klingner and Linda Gregory. Thank you to all that applied.

Meeting started at 7:35 p.m.

Attendance: Tom Werner, Frankie O'Connell, Chris Klingner, Mike Murnane, Linda Gregory

Absent: Kathleen Kelly (recovering from ACL surgery – get well soon!)

Last month's minutes were read and approved.

Amenia Recreation Commission Policy – Tom Werner handed out the updated policy to all members of the Board, they were discussed and amended. (see attached) motion made by Tom, seconded by Frankie and approved by all and adopted.

Easter Egg Hunt was a big hit, even though the weather didn't cooperate as we had hoped, the children enjoyed seeing the Easter Bunny and hunting for eggs! Thanks to Dawn Marie Klingner, Sally Leafe, Kaitlin Gregory & Robert Klippel for all their help in making it a fun day for the children. And of course, thanks to Tom, Frankie, Linda, Chris and Wayne Eurvard, Joel Pelkey and Norm Cayea from our Town Board. Thanks to the Amenia Fish & Game for donating the use of their facility.

Inventory – An inventory was taken by our new Maintenance Director, Shawn Howard. The Commission will review it and put it into record.

Paving of Beekman Park – Linda gave an update on paving the walkway up to the concession stand. A motion was made and approved unanimously to go ahead with the paving as soon as possible. This is scheduled to be completed by Opening Day at Beekman Park 4/25.

Treasurer Report: To date: the batting cages expenses are \$3,331.91. A big thank to all involved! The Easter Egg Hunt expenses was \$239.00 A resolution will be drawn up and given to the Town Board for approval (4/16/09) to transfer the remaining balance and /or \$5,171.16 from our Savings Account to our Capital Improvement line for capital improvements to Beekman Park i.e. paving, batting cages and new playground equipment.

Website – Chris remarked that he is in constant contact with Fred our Webmaster to do the updates, it is a critical time to have all information on the website.

Playground Update – Chris gave a beautiful proposal on Phase 11 to the Board for discussion and approval. The estimated cost of one swing set and one younger play area \$20,000. This proposal is the second phase of the initial Recreation Master Plan. The Commission discussed the need for supplying younger children with a play area and all agreed that the Phase II is a need for our community. However, Phase III was tabled due to financial constraints and the probability of a possible purchase of the Amenia Elementary School and the incorporation of recreation at that facility.

Wassaic Park – Linda mentioned that Robert Boyles stated that many more kids are using the park, which is wonderful to hear and that it needs some attention at the Wassaic Park, especially the holes in the ground and rebar sticking out (safety concerns) Shawn Howard is on top of it and will be taking care of this 4/15/09. Shawn will be maintaining the park on a regular basis. Robert Boyles wants to move the backstop of the field so that it can be used for games, the Board approved the work.



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June 09, 2009 –Minutes

PRESENT: Linda Gregory, Chris Klingner, Tom Werner, Chairman, Mike Murnane, Evelyn (Frankie) O'Connell, Ryan Killmer. Recreation Director, Kathleen Kelly. Town Board Liaisons, Victoria Perotti, Joel Pelkey.

Chairman Tom Werner called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Public Comments: A discussion began regarding sport activities at the Amenia Elementary School and the possible impending sale for the School District and the effects on our programming. Kathleen stated that the Summer Rec program was approved by the School Board for the summer and she will be in contact with school and get back to the Commission.

Treasure Report: Frankie reported that most of the coaches are getting the vouchers/approvals necessary for their teams. However, there are a few coaches that the Commission needs to inform. (see attached policy). A motion was made by Frankie, seconded by Mike Murnane, approved by all –that league fees must be paid within the first week of play or they cannot use the fields. Tom Werner made the motion and Mike seconded, all approved–than no purchases over \$250.00 will be paid per state law. Kathleen & Chris will be speaking to ALL coaches along with a letter going to all that have a budget line or use of our fields regarding the procedure.

Recreation Director Report: Kathleen reported that we have 140 kids playing ball! Connie Mack will be starting this week with Coach Gary Murphy. The Summer Rec signups are 6/13 and 6/20 and that Amenia Summer Recreation Begins July 3-Aug 7 (6 week program).

Beekman Park Update: Chris reported that Barnes insurance and the underwriter gave us the go ahead to install the Phase II playground equipment. Chris spoke with Parkitect and they will be installing approximately within three weeks from now.

Beekman park Signage: Linda reported that signs will be up on the fields (Doc Bartlett Field, Don Herring Field and Coon's Field) with the week. She is working on two safety signs and also an entrance sign for 911 update.

Wassaic Park: A notice recall came regarding the playground equipment in Wassaic, after inspection by Kathleen, Joel and Shawn, we are fully in compliance.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Gregory, (Interim Secretary).

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AMENIA RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES FOR JULY 14, 2009

Present: Chris Klingner, Ryan Killmer, Mike Murnane, Linda Gregory, Evelyn (Frankie) O'Connell, Tom Werner, Charlene Pollinger.

Absent: Kathleen Kelly, Town Liaisons: Joel Pelkey, Victoria Perotti.

Meeting came to order at 7 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Discussion with coaches relating to the Park rules and budget. It was an honor to meet the soft ball and soccer coaches. Each explained their involvement for the summer and interested in continue through the year.

Vicky Doyle discussing dance instructor and dance program for September 2009.

Dance instructor will be advertised and interviews will be set up.

Committees Report.

Frankie discussed and explained the line budget.

Motion by Linda and seconded by Chris to be paid from saving to capital, line A00-0607140-210 to move \$1906.00 to pay Parkitech. Unanimously accepted 7 to 0.

Tom	yes
Chris	yes
Ryan	yes
Mike	yes
Frankie	yes
Linda	yes
Charlene	yes

Resolution given to Town Board for transferring of funds.

Tom will be checking with the insurance company for the final approval on the Phase II playground equipment installment.

Adjourned:9pm